

tilted in the familiar fashion, wherein in the example shown in the figure, a synchronous mechanism is provided.

Fig. 2 shows the neckrest N of the present invention in detail in a cross-sectional view. More particularly, the base plate 2 of the backrest pad is snapped on to the backrest shield 1. A housing 9 is provided over a portion of the back of the backrest shield 1. The housing 9 includes a recess 9a. The housing 9 is attached to the backrest shield 1 via the fastening plate 10. Fastening occurs using four screws (not shown), which penetrate the fastening plate 10 and the backrest shield 1 and which are screwed into screw domes (not shown) of the housing 9. In the housing 9, the retaining rod 3 is seated via a molding 3a. The molding 3a rests against the friction dampening device 7 when under pressure. The friction dampening device 7 preferably includes a polyurethane rubber or PUR material. The friction dampening device 7 is preferably held in the dampening sleeve 8. The dampening sleeve 8 is shaped from the fastening plate 10 in a combined cutting and bending process and the dampening sleeve 8 is preferably connected with the fastening plate 10.

Page 4, lines 9-17, please amend the paragraph, as follows:

The retaining rod 3 is designed so as to be circular in cross-section and curved along its length at a predetermined radius of curvature. The guide sleeve 4 is seated on the retaining rod 3 in a sliding manner, the guide sleeve 4 also being designed so as to be circular in cross-section and curved along its length with the same predetermined radius of curvature as the radius of curvature the circular cross-section, curved retaining rod 3. The headrest 5 is firmly attached on the end of the guide sleeve 4. The guide sleeve 4, and with it the headrest 5, can be height adjustable in a sliding manner on the retaining rod 2 by up to approximately 200 mm, but more preferably by approximately 150 mm and thus, as the guide sleeve 4 is slid up and down on the retaining rod 3, the headrest 5 is moving along a curved path according